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TITLE OF INVENTION: FLUORESCENT IMAGE CALIBRATION STEP WEDGE, AND USE THEREOF IN ILLUMINATION FOR FLUORESCENT IMAGING AND AUTOMATIC EXPOSURE

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